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For: A COMPUTER SYSTEM AND A METHOD OF ASSIGNING  
A STORAGE DEVICE TO A COMPUTER

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+ 140	\$
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In response to the Office Action mailed March 25, 2004,  
please amend the above-identified application as follows.